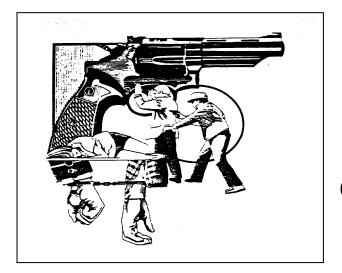
CRIME QUIZ #9



How's Your Crime Detection IQ?

In every crime mystery story we see or read we consciously or subconsciously play the role of Sherlock Holmes in an attempt to sift through clues and pinpoint the culprit. We consider it a victory if we are able to deduce the guilty party before the unveiling! If we fail, we at least appreciate the author's cleverness in concealing the perpetrator so skillfully.

A wealthy man in 1930, that had been missing for over a week, finally turned up on a Sunday afternoon. He explained that he had been kidnapped one evening at around 8 p.m. while he had been out for a stroll about a week ago and told he was being held for ransom.

The man claimed to have been tied up and held in a completely darkened closet in a country home ever since being abducted. He claimed to have been able to escape when he loosened his bonds while in the dark closet. "I laid still for awhile wondering if my kidnappers were nearby after I freed myself and all I heard was the ticking of my watch. I decided the kidnapers were not around so quietly, I left the closet, found an opened window in the room and made my escape." The man stated that he had been given food and water several times a day and that helped him know how long he had been held captive.

Is the man telling the truth? EXPLAIN YOUR ANSWER